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In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 13, 2007, the period of response for which runs through October 13, 2007, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.